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NEARER PETROGRAD

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sian Capital, Is Captured by Invaders.

SLAV VIEW OF PEACE PACT

PETROGRAD, March 7.-The central executive committee of the soldiers' and workmen's council, while recognizing that the German peace terms were those of "political bandits," has called on its delegates to the Moscow congress to vote for the ratification of the peace, says the Izvestin, the bolshevik organ. This action is advised because the peace has afforded the social revolution "absolutely necessary" res-

LONDON, March 7 .- The Germans have captured Jamburg, east of Narva, while the Turco-German offensive is continning beyond Trebizond, says a Rus sian official agency dispatch received here today. This action, adds the statement, is despite the official announce ment by the German high command that

hostilities against Russia have ceased. Sixty-Eight Miles From Capital.

the Trebizond region in their offensiv

The German advance eastward into from Petrograd, dated Wednesday, but was resumed during the night on several sectors in order to allow the Germans to reach and consolidate the line between Jamburg and Gdoff (east of Lake Peipus and south of Narva). It is reported in Petrograd that banks have been reopened, the property of landlords restored and other conditions approaching the old regime_revived in towns occupied by the Germans.

Explains Peace Treaty.

PETROGRAD, March 7 .- To a gathorkmen's and soldiers' dele-

the enemy full author

Agreement Tactical Measure.

M. Zinovieff, president of the Petro-M. Zinovien, president of the reco-grad council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates; M. Sverdloff and others from Petrograd addressed the conference. They said the Russian representatives were obliged to sign the peace agree-ment as a tactical measure, owing to the situation brought about by Ukraine in agreeing to ignominious peace terms. the situation brought about by Ukraine in agreeing to ignominious peace terms. The meeting adopted no resolution.

Notwithstanding the signing of peace, the government is determined to transfer all the state institutions to Moscow. Nishni-Novgorod and Kazan. The removal of the ministries of foreign affairs, communications and finance began yesterday. The population of Petrograd is hastily quitting the city, but there are many transportation difficulties. Petrograd are crowded with all sorts of

Germans Land Troops on Aland Islands and Criticism Is Aroused

By the Associated Press, BERLIN, via London, March 7.—In

very shortly would peace with Finland. would sign a treaty of

Francis Tells Slavs U. S. Does Not Desire

6.—In a public statement to the people of Vologda on the international situ-

GERMANS DRAWING U. S. Colonel Captures Boche on New Front ON WARTIME BASIS

Jamburg, 68 Miles From Rus- First Seizure of an Enemy Officer-America Reorganization of Gen. Per-Now Has Three Forces Facing the Germans on Western Front.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Wednesday March 6.—An American patrol, comprising one officer and eight men, which had been missing since last night in the sector northwest of trench warfare evolved in France, the Toul, suddenly emerged from a shell hole close to the German lines War Department, it was learned today, today and made a dash across no man's land without a shot being

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Wednesday, March 6.-An American staff colonel, while with a French raiding party for the purpose of securing information, a few days before his men took up their positions in the new American sector on the Lorraine front, met a Prussian lieutenant in an enemy trench and captured him. The colonel, with an American captain, brought the hold fully the "Americanized" sector o Prussian officer back to the lines the Americans are now occupying. the front. The plan leaves to Gen

A German raid in this new sector occurred Monday night, a sharp Pershing the determination of the num fight taking place, in which the Germans suffered a repulse with ber of corps and the number of field losses. In it a unit which was among the most recent arrivals displayed the customary American fighting energy and apparently er units. gave the enemy a much warmer reception than he expected.

ans' service here the casualties have

The American troops here are training with French troops as at the Chemin des Dames position. This makes' the third American force now facing the enemy.

The Prussian lieutenant's capture was the first instance of an enemy officer being taken prisoner by the American and also the first occasion upon which an American officer had captured either an enemy officer or a soldier in this sector.

American troops in France, received last night, was the first intimation of

FLIERS BALK PLAN

FOR BIG HUN DRIVE

Long Heralded German Offen-

sive Delayed by Activity

of Allied Aviators.

BY E. PERCY NOEL

front, explained:

COURSE OF JAPAN IS DECIDED UPON

Arrangements Made Regarding Intervention in Siberia. China to Co-Operate.

LONDON, March 6.-The Daily Mail prints a dispatch from Tientsin under tion at Brest-Litovsk, explained the from Port Arthur as stating that the ar-

German intriguers are being received slaught. A flying officer, whose experiin Peking. The Chinese cabinet, the ence includes the whole of the western evacuation by Russia message states, has definitely decided

China May Be United.

Owing to the external danger, the about the location of the British and bardment. message adds, it is expected that north French troops in reserve, and also and south China will cease their quar- about the supply depots. In their et- U. S. Troops Holding reling and unite against the Siberian fort to obtain accurate information menace. Tuan Chi-Jui is said to be conducting all the arrangements to this end.

The military governor at Kirin, Man- has been well known by the British and churia, has telegraphed to Peking, beg-ging that reinforcements be sent as soon as possible, adds the message, as hostile forces are approaching northern Manchuria.

Manchuria.

The dispatch quotes a message to the North China Mail from Harbin reporting that the bolsheviki have seized rolling stock on the Chinese eastern railway to the westward of Manchuli and are disorganizing traffic. uotes a message to the lift from Harbin reportseviki have seized roll-delinese eastern railward of Manchuli and receipt ward of Manchuli and results.

German View of Situation. AMSTERDAM, March 7 -A Berlin dispatch to the Koelnische Volks Zeitung

AMSTERIOM. March 7.—A Berlin dispersion of the Pinnish governments request for military assistance, it is an expected to the Wealth Japan desires to as request for military assistance, it is an interest that Japan desires to as request for military assistance, it is an interest that Japan desires to assistance of the Pinnish governments. The precent that Japan desires to assistance of the Pinnish government in easier and a second dutal the intelligence on the recent preceded of all the comparison of the other hand the allied acount of the other hand believes the preceding against Germany in Finland and the consequent by Germany in Finland and the consequent by Germany in Finland and the consequent in eastern Asia clearly and troops on the Aland Islands, whither Sweden recently sent a small product of the preceding against Germany in Finland and the consequent in eastern Asia clearly and troops on the Aland Islands, whither Sweden recently sent as the precent appropriate that this is what while the face of the precent appropriate that will not be in any way to the disastern by Germany in Finland and the consequent in eastern Asia clearly to find the precent appropriate that this is what while the face of the previous of the precent appropriate that the same way in predictive slope of the comparison of the Aland Islands.

**MMSTERIOMA March 7.—In Bernard to the activities and received that the intelligence on the consequence of the contraval in t man under-secretary for foreign affairs, announced Tuesday, in the main committee of the reichstag, that Germany divisions more than the allies in the mittee of the reichstag, that Germany was the said but this did not mean west, he said, but this did not mean PHONE GIRLS NOT TO STRIKE. that they were in superior strength, as he allied divisions are numerically larger. BOSTON, March 7.—The threatened Gen. Maurice said the entente forces still held the superiority in rifies, guns still held the superiority in rifies, guns and aircraft, but that this superiority was diminishing.

Strike of young woman operators of the New England Telephone Company in nineteen New England cities was and Helpers Seek Increase. strike of young woman operators of

FORCES IN FRANCE

shing's Army Based on Method of Trench Fighting.

PROVIDES MUCH ARTILLERY

which fixes six divisions as the strength

armies needed and also authorizes him

By the six-division army corps plan effect is to produce the line of depth

Replacement troops sent from the chine in France at the third line. They nove forward in regular order as their training progresses, and arrive at front-line trenches to fill casualty gaps

Artillery on Extensive Scale. Included in the corps troops are many

Japan and is sending delegates to Japan shortly for consultation of military affairs. The Chinese government, it is said, will also ask Japan to send military delegates to China.

Trench and British air successes in the past week or two means much more than the average observer understands. We know that the Germans have been planning an offensive mans have been planning an offensive technique. mans have been planning an offensive for some time, but in order to make it successful they must know much about the location of the Pritish and

> Eight Miles of Trenches on Battle Front in France

American troops are holding something more than eight miles of trenches on the battle front in France, although in an air line their frontage is only about four and a half miles. This frontage is liable to extension at any time to the regular trench allotment for an army corps.

Irregularity of the trench lines is

habit of staying close to their own lines except when flying at great altitudes or when going on bombing expeditions in te night time. Active pursuit squadrons have sought out, attacked and frequently brought down enemy scouts. Still more often they have forced them to retire before they could obtain the intelligence so urgently required by the German staff. "On the other hand the allied scout fliers have been exceedingly active unacoubtedly searching the enemy reart for indications of offensive preparations. This is exceedingly important if a surprise attack by the enemy, such as occurred at Cambrai, is to be obviated."

Impossible to Advance.

Irregularity of the trench lines is responsible for their eight mises of length. They are laid out so that flanking fire may be obtained along every part of the front. Strong points containing machine guns jut out for that purpose. The trenches also follow closely any protective slope of the country and wander up and down hill. The American sector is a divisional frontage, which means that at least three divisions of American troops are there to give the necessary support in depth for the front lines. That fact has a roused speculation here as to who will be selected to command the list Corps of the Army. Maj. Gen. Hunter Liggett is known to have acted in that capacity.

ns now operating in New York and ington. Several thousand persons Washington. Several thousand person already are employed by the British mis

SHIP WAGE DEMAND.



SKIP-STOPS WORKING ALREADY

WILSON PEACE PROPOSALS MANY AMERICANS GET LEAVEN IN AUSTRIAN POLITICS

Conditions Referred to in Papers as Possible or Concrete Basis for Negotiations-Not Affected Like Germany.

NEW YORK, March 7 .- President Wilson's address to Congress early in January, in which he defined fourteen conditions for world-wide peace, has acted like a leaven in the political life of Austria-Hungary, and the conditions are reverted to over and over again as a possible or concrete basis for negotiations, as appears from of Belgium is named first among those quotations in German newspapers of the latter part of January, now received here.

favorable echo the proposals have Au

house of deputies declared in the bud- Arbeiter Zeitung, expressed the that it would be possible to convince

Agriculture Appropriation Bill

When It Comes to Vote.

Senator James A. Reed of Missouri

The Senate has disposed of all the com-

mittee amendments to the agriculture ap-

"crazed."
Judge Kennedy preceded arguments
by counsel with a brief statement of
alternative verdicts open to the jury.

SUICIDE MYSTERY EXPLAINED.

Grand Duke Frederick's Action

CHAMPIONS HIGHER WAGE SENATOR REED AGAINST FOR LOWER PAID CLERKS BORLAND AMENDMENT

Representative Courtney W. Ham- Will Oppose Eight-Hour Rider to lin Believes They Should Be First to Get Increases.

Increased salaries for the lower paid government employe was championed said today that he intended to oppose on the floor of the House today by the Borland eight-hour amendment to Representative Courtney W. Hamlin of the agricultural appropriation bill Missouri, reserving a point of order on when it comes to a vote in the Senate. an item in the legislative bill which Senator Sheppard of Texas has given would increase the salary of the chief notice that he will move to strike from of the efficiency bureau from four to the bill the Borland amendment, which five thousand dollars.

five thousand dollars.

Representative Hamlin said that although there are a great many govern-bia to work a minimum of eight hours ment employes who are doing very val- daily. nable service and are probably earning more than the salary they are receiv-

VETERAN ORDERED INTERNED.

Man Who Fought in Union Army Charged With Treasonable Talk. Conquest in Russia

By the Associated Press.

Thave said heretofore that an German of Vologoda, Russia, Wednesday, March Scause the Germans required time to Prepare new troops," said Gen. Maurice, "but these major preparations are now more or less complete, and the enemy atton as it affects Russia, David R. Francis, the American ambassador, said:

The American ambassador, "American has no plans or desires for "American has no plans or desires for the first proaching attack. These indications of an approaching attack. These indications of the preparations are not always easy to gauge. We have not continued on Second Page.)

The Associated Press.

The Asso SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, March 7 .-

MEDALS FROM FRENCH

First List Is Printed of Persons

Awarded New Decoration, "Medal

of French Gratitude.'

California, Mrs. Helen Coolidge, John Jacob Hoff, Dr. Landetta of Cuba, Mrs. Mason Smith of New Orleans, Mark Peixotto, Mrs. de Roaldes of Louisiana and Raphael Weill of San Francisco.

Severty-two third class medals of bronze have been distributed. The following Americans are among those decorated:

Authorizes Sale of Property.

CHECKED BY THE ALLIES

ored to reach our lines southeast of ment cannot be reached, the amendwere equally unsuccessful. The enemy's artillery has been active in the Scarpe valley, west of Lens and east Ypres, and shortly before dawn developed considerable activity in the Neuve Chapelle sector.'

Wealthy Oil Operator's Case at

Cleveland With Jury.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 7.—When criminal court opened this morning it was generally believed Elmer Hupp, the wealthy oil operator, charged with second degree murder of Charles L. Joyce, would know his fate late this afternoon or early this evening. Hupp testified that he shot and killed Joyce, when upon returning home unexpectable activity in the Neuve Chapelle sector.

'After two days of wind and rain, the weather cleared slightly on the afternoon of Tuesday, says an official report of aerial operations. Bombs were dropped on railway sidings northeast of Lille. In air fighting two hostile machines were downed and one was driven down out of control. One of ours is missing. After dark the ingelmunster railway station and an airdrome northeast of St. Quentin were tearly bombed. All our machines returned."

On the French Front.

Coast Guard Rescuers Remove 37 of Crew—Sailed From Europe.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, March 7.—A steamship, the Susquehanna, believed to be the vessel of that name owned by the Ingelmunster railway station and an airdrome northeast of St. Quentin were heavily bombed. All our machines returned."

On the French Front.

PARIS, March 7.-Continued activity

n the Verdun front, where heavy artillery fighting and raiding operations have been in progress for several days is reported in today's official communi-cation. The statement follows: "There was spirited fighting with artillery during the night in the region of Beaumont and Pezonvaux (Verdung

Charged to Love Affair.

AMSTERDAM, March 7.—The mystery in the suicide of Grand Duke Adolph Frederick of Mecklenberg-Strelitz is explained in an official statement from the ducal house published in the Rheinische Westfaelische Zeitung.

The statement says that the grand duke attempted to become engaged to a German princess, but the difficulty in negotiations for dissolving previous obligations weighed so heavily on the grand duke's mind that he ended his life.

GERMAN PROPERTY OWNED IN U.S. MAY **GO UNDER HAMMER**

TWO CENTS.

Plans to Break Up Vast Holdings Presented to Congress by A. Mitchell Palmer.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY SENATE COMMITTEE

President May Also Be Authorized to Take Legal Title to Teuton Steamship Piers. Plans to break up the vast holdings

of German interests in the United States

American property in Germany, the committee was told, is subject to such action. Like treatment of German property in the United States, Mr. Palmer told the committee, would hamper Germany and help the United States win the war. U. S. May Take Piers.

The committee, by a party vote, however, with republicans opposing, also the President to take legal title to the

PARIS. Wednesday, March 6.—The first list is printed today in the Journal Officiel of the names of persons who have been awarded the new decoration "Medal of French Gratitude," issued since the war to recognize services rendered France by foreigners. The Queen of Belgium is named first among those who received the first class, silver gilt medals. Among the twenty-nine first class medals are the following American steamship piers and property at thoboken, N. J. The republicans opposed it, fearing that it might lead to government ownership and operation of shipping facilities after the war. In taking over other enemy property and selling it, under the provision agreed upon today, the price would be fixed by the allen property custodian. The value of German property of the war. In taking over other enemy property and selling it, under the provision agreed upon today, the price would be fixed by the allen property custodian.

Plan Generally Approved.

Louis Ladoue of Galveston. Miss Blanche Cahen of San Francisco, Ridgely Carter, Mrs. Casserly of San Mateo, Cal.; Miss Chloe Dirings, George Fusenos of Los Angeles, Persifar Gibson, Dr. Walter Clines, Miss Rebecca Godchaux of San Francisco, Hugh Reid Griffin, Mrs. J. P. Jones of Los Angeles, John Howard Jordan, Miss Elvine Neeser of New York, Robert Neeser, Mrs. Claire Sisco, Howard Sturger, Mrs. Jeanette Watson and Miss Marion Will.

SEVERAL GERMAN RADS

Authorizes Sale of Property.

The principal provision of the amendment authorizing sele of enemy property reads:

"The alien property custodian shall be property and do any act or things in respect thereof or make any disposition thereof or any part thereof, by sale or otherwise, and exercise the rights and powers which may be or become appurtenant thereto or to the ownership thereof in like manner as though he were the absolute owner thereof."

Another provision would authorize the custodian to buy government bonds or certificates of indebtedness from proceeds turned into the Treasury.

Disposition of Proceeds.

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Chief Activity Directed Against
British—French Also
Repel Enemy.

By the Associated Press.
LONDON, March 7—"A raid attempted by the enemy last night east of Epehy, under cover of a heavy artillery barrage, was completely repulsed," the war office reports. "Other hostile raiding parties which endeavored to reach our lines southeast of ment genovides for partial payment of

with chalk.

Suarez Elected in Colombia. BOGALA, Colombia, March 7.-Semi-

February 10 for a successor to Jose Concha, as president of this republic. indicate that Dr. Marco Fidel Suarez, nominee of the conservative party, was elected. His opponent was Guillermo Valencia, the coalition candidate.

Sanatorium Near Cumberland Burns CUMBERLAND, Md., March 7 .- Fire of undetermined origin yesterday recked the main building of the Markleton Sanatorium, near here, which has been taken over by the govern-ment, to be used as a hospital for convalescent soldiers. The building was unoccupied and was being re-modeled.